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LSTC students have had Access funding for three semesters. In that time, 416 students have received \$484,738. During the five years prior to Access, 66 students received \$95,500 in Gallagher and College Guarantee grant funds from MDHE. Those numbers speak to the value of respective financial aid programs to LSTC students.

The current program has helped not only Pell eligible students, but also the typical middle-income family whose only other source of funding is student loans. Several students have requested their student loan be canceled or reduced because of grant funding that is now available to them.

If you need any additional information, please let me know. We would be happy to provide any other data that may help save the current financial aid program configuration.